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**Statement of the Connecticut Clean Energy Fund Regarding Raised Bill 1116
An Act Concerning The Recycling Of Organic Materials By Certain Food
Wholesalers, Manufacturers, Supermarkets And Conference Centers.**

The Connecticut Clean Energy Fund (CCEF) supports the objectives of RB 1116. This bill appears to provide for a process that takes a present-day waste stream and establishes guidelines for converting it into an in-state sustainable resource. The CCEF along with various partners encourages and supports communities throughout Connecticut engaging in sustainable resource practices, through education, awareness, and leadership. Furthermore, CCEF believes a comprehensive approach to energy policy and environmental protection is in furtherance of numerous established goals, such as, the Renewable Portfolio Standard, Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, and climate change and transportation policy objectives. The "Source-separated organic material" as defined within this bill, when properly digested and gasified, would provide a source of methane. This methane could potentially prove to be a reliable fuel option in various applications. As such, RB 1116 may ultimately provide economic, environmental, and energy benefits to Connecticut.

We thank you for the opportunity to provide comments and stand ready to work with this committee if requested.